	ATES DISTRICT COURT STRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS	s (\$ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\
DONALD J. RICHARD Plaintiff	) CIVIL ACTION NO. 04-40066-NMG	
V.	)	
INDUSTRIAL COMMERCIAL ELECTRICAL CORPORATION Defendant	) ) )	

## AFFIDAVIT OF ROBERT WEIHRAUCH IN SUPPORT OF COURT ORDERED AWARD OF ATTORNEY'S FEES AND COSTS

The Court pursuant to 29 U.S.C. § 1132(g) ordered the Defendant Industrial Commercial Electrical Corporation to pay the Plaintiff's reasonable attorney's fees and cost in the above entitled matter. In support of the Court's Order I, Robert Weihrauch, hereby depose and say:

My name is Robert Weihrauch. I am a member of the Massachusetts Bar in good standing. My office is located at 446 Main Street 20th floor, Worcester, Massachusetts. I have been the attorney for the Plaintiff, Donald J. Richard in the above captioned matter since April 22, 2004, and have expended 76.25 hours at an hourly rate of \$250.00 per hour including travel time, and have incurred costs in the amount of \$150.00 representing the initial filing fee, and \$22.00 for excerpts of day two of the bench trial. It is not my professional practice to bill for telephone calls or telephone discussions.

I have set out below a detailed statement of the hours expended in this case:

1) April 22, 2004 - Initial conference with Donald J. Richard Re: ICE termination of his employment and refusal to offer COBRA benefits; 2 hours

2) April 26 2004 – Legal research Re: Cobra Rights – "Gross miscondu	act"
Review notes of conference with Mr. Richard; Conference with Mr. Richard to	explain
COBRA rights;	7 hours

- 3) April 27, 2004 Preparation of Verified Complaint; Review law with respect to obtaining a Temporary Restraining Order; 4 hours
  - 4) April 28, 2004 Complete Verified Complaint; 2 hours
- 5) April 30, 2004 Conference with Mr. Richard; review Verified Complaint and explain procedure;  $1^{\frac{1}{2}}$  hours
- 6) May 3, 2004 Filing Verified Complaint and obtaining date from Clerk of hearing date on Request for Immediate Injunctive Relief; notification of ICE of Complaint and hearing date and time;
- 7) May 4, 2004 Preparation of Memorandum in Support of Request for Immediate Injunctive Relief;  $3\frac{1}{2}$  hours
- 8) May 5, 2004 -- Preparation for Hearing on Request for Immediate Injunctive Relief and attendance at hearing;  $1 \frac{1}{2}$  hours
  - 9) May 6, 2004 Preparation of Proposed Temporary Restraining Order; ½ hour

- 10) May 11, 2004 Conference with Mr. Richard; explain what h as occurred and what the next scheduled hearing was about;
- 11) May 17, 2004 Review Defendant's Answer and Counter Claim; Preparation of Affidavit of Mr. Richard; Legal research Re: Preliminary Injunction and Preparation of Memorandum in Support of Preliminary Injunction and Proposed Order; 6 hours
  - 12) May 24, 2004 Preparation for Hearing on Preliminary Injunction; 2 hours
  - 13) May 26, 2004 Preparation of Answer to Counterclaim; <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> hour
  - 14) June 3, 2004 Conference with Donald Richard as to current status of case;

1 ½ hours

- 15) June 19, 2004 Conference Donald Richard Re: Preparation for his deposition;2 hours
- 16) June 21, 2004 Attendance at Donald Richard's deposition taken by

  Defendant and attendance at deposition of David LeBlanc taken by the Defendant for this case;

  8 ½ hours

which includes travel time of 2 1/2 hours (Worcester to Dedham and back);

- 17) July 1, 2004 Conference Donald Richard as to current status of case; 1 hour
- 18) July 6, 7, 2004 Preparation of Proposed Findings of Facts and Conclusion of Law; Witness List and Exhibit List;

  6 hours
- 19) July 14, 2004 Preparation for Trial; 2 ½ hours

20) July 19,2004 - Review Defendant's Proposed Findings of Fact and

Conclusions of Law; Witness List and Objections to certain Plaintiff Exhibits; 1 hour

- 21) July 30, 2004 Conference with Mr. Richard; Preparation of Trial;  $3\frac{1}{2}$  hours
  - 22) August 2, 2004 Trial;

10 ½ hours

which includes 3 1/2 hours travel time

22) August 3, 2004 – Trial;

6 hours which

includes 3 hours travel time

23) August 6, 2004 - Preparation of Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law.

1 hours

Total hours 76.25

Fee \$19,062.00

Cost:

Filing fee \$150.00

Excerpts of \$22.00

transcript

Total Cost \$172.00

Total Amount Due \$19,234.00

I, Robert Weihrauch have read the foregoing and the statements therein are true. Subscribed and sworn to under the pains and penalties of perjury this \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of August, 2004.

Robert Weihrauch

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT A TRUE COPY OF THE ABOVE DOCUMENT WAS SERVED

UPON THE ATTORNEY OF RECORD FOR

EACH (OTHER) PARTY BY MAIL ON 8/2/04

SIGNATURE